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April 23, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Whitman County Lamont Road Reconstruction project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Whitman County and the project is located at 400 N Main Street, Colfax, WA 99111.

The funding is designated for the structural resurfacing of 0.75 miles of Lamont Road to an all-weather road.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to benefit the region as the project is a critically needed all-weather upgrade to the only road serving one of Whitman County's rural towns, Lamont. The town is a regional hub within the County and serves both agricultural and freight movement to the area. The road is currently weight restricted for part of every year, limiting the commerce of Lamont and many of the areas agricultural producers marketing opportunities. The project would facilitate and promote the movement of agricultural goods to and from several large agricultural handling and storage facilities in rural Whitman County and neighboring counties. The Lamont Road has no viable way to locally generate sufficient funds to provide the critically needed reconstruction activities.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,


Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Member of Congress